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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is a Supplemental Response to Applicants' Response filed on May 22, 2006. In response to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of March 3, 2006, with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 5, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

As a Response To Final Office Action was timely filed within the three-month period on May 22, 2006, no extension of time is believed to be necessary for filing this Supplemental Response. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and the undersigned hereby authorizes

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the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to Van Leeuwen & Van Leeuwen Deposit Account No. 50-3754.